

**A. S. Hathaway's Store.**

This building with its massive pillars is hardly ever forgotten when once noticed as passing through the village. It was erected by Edward M. Welling about the year 1830 and was occupied by Robinson & Blackmer followed by P. L. Mattison, when it was sold to the firm of Thatcher & Welling.

In 1876 it came into the hands of J. O. Bangs who was postmaster for years and a very prominent man in the town in all of its affairs. In 1884, the firm changed to Bangs & Lyman, in 1888, to Bangs & Lyman Co., and in 1893 the firm became Hathaway & Co., consisting of A. S. Hathaway and Mrs. E. J. Bangs who purchased the building and stock and carried on same until the death of Mrs. Bangs, since which Mr. Hathaway has been sole owner and proprietor.

Mr. Hathaway is doing a fine and lucrative business, is a young man of push and integrity, both of which are

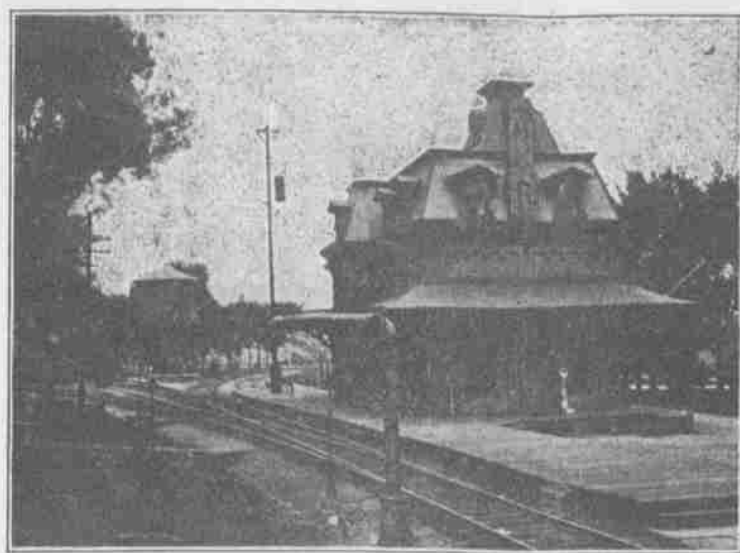
**C. H. Houghton & Co.**

The building now occupied by the above firm is one of the landmarks of the town having been built by P. L. Robinson in the year 1846.

Mr. Robinson and Martin Chittenden formed a co-partnership and occupied it as a general store, being the first occupants.

It was afterward occupied by the following concerns: Hawks & Loomis, Haling & Houghton, Houghton & Loomis, R. L. Houghton, R. L. Houghton & Son, and the firm now is composed of Chas. Houghton and G. F. Houghton under the firm name of C. H. Houghton & Co.

The business has been in the hands of some member of the Houghton family for many years and their reputation as merchants is first class. They carry a general stock of merchandise, such as dry goods, notions, groceries, fancy goods, railway white lead and a full line of painters supplies, as well



NORTH BENNINGTON DEPOT

Madden's or in Daniel McCarthy's house, and occasionally in the school house of the village when allowed to be said. That was done during five years.

From January, 1850, to August, 1861 the Catholic people of North Bennington and of Shaftsbury were attended by Rev. Father Cloarce from Bennington; September, 1861 to October, 1862, Rev. James Quinn; from November, 1862, to November, 1864, by Rev. W. Fitzgerald; from 1865, to September, 1872, by Rev. Dennis Ryan; from October, 1872, to December, 1883, by Rev. John O'Dwyer; from December, 1883, to October, 1885, by Rev. W. O'Sullivan.

Rev. Father Ryan, seeing the number of Catholics (there were 120 families) bought, on November 1, 1871, the old Universalist church, which at the time was called the Old Academy, added to it about thirty feet, and fitted it up for divine service.

Rev. Charles E. Prevost was the first resident pastor, from 1885 to 1892, and

son some new designs are added to the lines, and some of the most undesirable are dropped. The company has just issued four booklets, one of which illustrates a line of costumes of about twenty pieces, another shows a large variety of portable screens, another gives the new and popular mission furniture, and the fourth shows a line of grandfather clocks now manufactured under the name of Mission or Old Dutch clocks. These clocks are the latest and most attractive of anything recently added, and are sold at wholesale as high as \$25.00 each. The mission furniture is in every way attractive and has a very extended sale.

The company has an office in New York in the Flatiron Building where is shown a full line of samples, and is in charge of John Henry Cushman, vice president of the company. It also has an office in Chicago at the Manufacturers Exhibition Building with a full line of samples. These goods are now handled regularly by the trade in all parts of this country



CATHOLIC CHURCH.

was succeeded in September, 1892, by Rev. Ph. E. LaChance. The present pastor Rev. Thom. F. Schaefer has been here but a short time but is loved by his people.

There has been 187 baptisms from 1875 to 1885, and 200 from June, 1885, to 1898. Masses in St. John Baptist church and the Church of the Sacred Heart at 8:30 and 10:30 alternately. Confessions will be heard Saturday night in the church where Mass is said at 10:30 a. m. Sunday.

**The H. T. Cushman Co.**

The H. T. Cushman Mfg. Company is one of the leading industries in North Bennington. The business was started with a small beginning in 1871

and in many parts of Europe, the provinces and in Canada.

There is consumed in the manufacture of the productions of this mill about 200,000 feet of oak and about 100,000 feet of other kinds of lumber including that which is used in making packing cases.

The present position occupied by this company in the manufacture of fine fancy furniture is owing to the fact that its styles are very artistic, and the quality is as good as the best materials will produce.

And for mountings for screens: about 100,000 yards of fabrics of various kinds. The sales of this company during the year past have increased over 60 per cent.



H. T. CUSHMAN.

by Henry T. Cushman. This company manufactures several lines of strictly original articles designed by different members of the company. To introduce successfully original lines heretofore unknown to dealers is an undertaking requiring considerable tact and push.

By judicious advertising and the employment of competent salesmen, the business of this company has enlarged until its present plant, consisting of 25,000 square feet of floor surface, one hundred horse power, and with sixteen tenements for employees, is today inadequate to produce the goods which are being sold. The company employs an advantage of about seventy-five men with a weekly pay roll ranging from \$500.00 to \$700.00.

The class of goods being manufactured at the present time is superior in every way to that which was manufactured even a year ago. Every sea-

exercise of the good influence sometime in their business careers. That the First National Bank of North Bennington has had an influence for good, no business man will gainsay. In its career of thirty seven years it has occupied a prominent position in helping to maintain and advance the best interest of the village. It was organized in 1864, and its charter was number 194 among the banks of the country that organized under the national banking act. It has conducted a general banking business ever since under the management of the ablest and best business men of the village. Today it has a capital stock of \$150,000, and a surplus and undivided profits aggregating in round numbers, \$60,000. Its average total deposit range from \$125,000 to \$130,000 all of which is a very creditable showing for a village of the size of North Bennington. Its officers are: J. G. McCullough, president; F. B. Jennings, vice president; S. B. Hall, cashier; R. A. Jones, assistant cashier, and a board of directors, consisting of the three gentlemen named and T. L. Park, C. E. Welling, E. D. Welling and H. P. McCullough. All are prominent men in the business and financial affairs of the village, and have the entire confidence and respect of the community. The bank does the usual banking business of receiving deposit, making loans, discounting commercial paper and issuing drafts and letters of credit. Its correspondents are the First National Bank of New York and the Exchange National Bank of Boston. It owns the building in which its business is conducted, and has a convenient banking room, with adjoining consultation and directors' rooms and is supplied with a large fire and burglar proof safe.

**ST. COLEMAN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON**  
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W. Dwyer was appointed to Arlington and Manchester May 24, 1896.

It fell to the lot of Father Dwyer to build a church in Manchester, where the Catholics, up to that time, had been without a suitable place of worship.

The growing importance of Manchester as a summer resort and the consequent increase of its Catholic population, rendered it expedient that the priest in charge should take up his residence there and attend Arlington as a mission. This change was consequently made in August, 1897 with the sanction of the Rt. Rev. Bishops of the Diocese.

At present Mass is celebrated in Manchester and Arlington every Sunday, the order being observed from Easter Sunday to Christmas. During the winter months, from Christmas to Easter, owing to the severity of the weather and the distance between these villages, (8 miles) it is necessary for the priest to have Mass only on alternate Sundays.

About two years ago it was found that after twenty-three years of service, the church was sadly in need of repairs and upon the approbation of the Rt. Rev. Bishop, the needed repairs were made and 23 feet addition added to the rear of the church giving a large vestry, new windows, new pews, and provision made for a middle aisle and the decorations were among the best improvements made. The contract work was under the charge of James W. Tynan of Arlington. The exquisite decoration was the handiwork of Sinal Richer of White Hall, N. Y.

That the Catholic people of Arlington hailed the change with delight was evidenced from the very beginning by the generosity with which they seconded the efforts of their pastor and today they are rewarded in the possession of a gem church as neat and commodious, as far as their needs are concerned, as any in the Diocese.

On Sunday, Aug. 16th next, the Rt. Rev. John S. Michaud D. D., the Bishop of the Diocese, will visit the parish of Arlington to rededicate, practically on its twenty-fifth anniversary, the little church made new, and always so dear to the hearts of the Catholics whose privilege it is to worship therein.

The Catholic people of Arlington are chiefly of Irish extraction, many of them having been born in Ireland. There are also a few Canadian families. All are, however, intensely American in the truest sense of that term, showing forth in their lives the elements of true citizenship as inculcated by the church to which they belong. They are, as a people, truly devoted to their church, honest, intelligent, sober, industrious, law-abiding and hospitable.

They are also found among the foremost in every project for the spiritual, moral and temporal advancement of the community, and for these traits they are esteemed and respected by their fellow-citizens who are not of their faith but with whom they live in peace and harmony.

**JUST ONE.**

A brow is often beautified by just one curl.  
A real pain caused by champagne and just one bird.  
A man may stake his happiness on just one girl.  
And have it blessed or blighted then by just one word.  
A ball game's winning oft depends on just one run.  
A train of woes finds recompense in just one bliss.  
The earth is glorified by just one sun.  
But what man is ever satisfied with "just one kiss?"  
[From "Life,"]

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necessary to carry on a successful business. He carries a stock of general merchandise. It is unnecessary to say what it consists of, but a call at his store will show you as fine a stock of goods as can be found and the utmost courtesy will be shown you.

**Hotel White.**

Mr. White was born in North Bennington in 1841 and has run a livery business for twenty-one years and the above hotel for six years.

He married Miss Effie Walbridge in 1884 and to them have been born one girl and four boys, all of whom are living at home.

Besides running a first class house as a hotel, he also runs a grist mill and conducts a coal business and is a

as a stock of drugs and medicines.

They carry a heavy stock of goods in each department and are well equipped for a store in a town of the size of which it occupies and do a large business.

**Rutland Railway Co.**

Those who have not traveled over the Rutland Railroad can not tell the pleasure they have missed in not viewing the beautiful country through which it passes. The grand old mountains at whose base its tracks are laid to attract the eye in every direction.

This road runs through cars from New York to Montreal, also a branch from Bennington to Chatman where it connects with the Harlem railway.

It is equipped with the latest rolling



HOTEL WHITE.

man full of energy and is successful in all he undertakes. He stands high in the opinion of those who know him.

**W. J. Hurley.**

Mr. Hurley commenced business in North Bennington in 1880, starting a livery business in a rented building. In 1886 he built a large and commodious barn and stable which he has occupied ever since. He has constantly on hand from ten to 12 horses, and a full line of latest styles of carriages, sleighs and hacks, which are always in the best of order.

He has also conducted a very profitable ice business for the past 14 years and at the same time during these years he has built up an exten-

sive coal business handling principally the D. & H. coal.

Mr. Hurley is doing a prosperous business in the three lines to which he gives his attention and is one of the leading business men of the town.

of Coxon, Edwin and Coates. The Right Rev. Louis de Goesbriand said the first Mass for the North Bennington people in 1854 in Daniel McCarthy's house, there being present about 100. Henceforth Mass was said monthly and alternately in Thomas



HURLEY'S STABLE.